

owned by the bank holding company, including the companies listed below.

The applications listed below, as well as other related filings required by the Board, are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The application also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing on the standards enumerated in the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1842(c)). If the proposal also involves the acquisition of a nonbanking company, the review also includes whether the acquisition of the nonbanking company complies with the standards in section 4 of the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1843). Unless otherwise noted, nonbanking activities will be conducted throughout the United States.

Unless otherwise noted, comments regarding each of these applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors not later than November 26, 1999.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis (Randall C. Sumner, Vice President) 411 Locust Street, St. Louis, Missouri 63102-2034:

1. *Wilson & Muir Bancorp, Inc.*, Bardstown, Kentucky; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Farmers Bank of Vine Grove, Vine Grove, Kentucky. Comments regarding this application must be received not later than November 22, 1999.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis (JoAnne F. Lewellen, Assistant Vice President) 90 Hennepin Avenue, P.O. Box 291, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55480-0291:

1. *Glacier Bancorp, Inc.*, Kalispell, Montana; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Mountain West Bank, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

C. Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City (D. Michael Manies, Assistant Vice President) 925 Grand Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri 64198-0001:

1. *Marion Bancshares, Inc., Marion, Kansas*, Marion, Kansas; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of Marion National Bank, Marion, Kansas.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, October 26, 1999.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Associate Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Notice of Proposals to Engage in Permissible Nonbanking Activities or to Acquire Companies that are Engage in Permissible Nonbanking Activities; Correction

This notice corrects a notice (FR Doc. 99-27727) published on page 57458 of the issue for Monday, October 25, 1999.

Under the Federal Reserve Bank of New York heading, the entry for UBS AG, Zurich, Switzerland, is revised to read as follows:

A. Federal Reserve Bank of New York (Betsy Buttrill White, Senior Vice President) 33 Liberty Street, New York, New York 10045-0001:

1. *UBS AG*, Zurich, Switzerland; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of ARI Acquisition Corporation, Hartford, Connecticut, and thereby acquire managing membership interests in Allegis Realty Investors LLC, AgriVest LLC, and Allegis Capital LLC, all of Hartford, Connecticut, and thereby engage in financial and investment advisory activities, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(6) of Regulation Y, and in securities brokerage activities, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(7)(i) of Regulation Y. These activities will be conducted worldwide.

Comments on this application must be received by November 8, 1999.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, October 26, 1999.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Associate Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

TIME AND DATE: 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, November 3, 1999.

PLACE: Marriner S. Eccles Federal Reserve Board Building, 20th and C Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20551.

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Personnel actions (appointments, promotions, assignments, reassignments, and salary actions) involving individual Federal Reserve System employees.

2. Any matters carried forward from a previously announced meeting.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Lynn S. Fox, Assistant to the Board; 202-452-3204.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: You may call 202-452-3206 beginning at approximately 5 p.m. two business days before the meeting for a recorded announcement of bank and bank holding company applications scheduled for the meeting; or you may contact the Board's Web site at <http://www.federalreserve.gov> for an electronic announcement that not only lists applications, but also indicates procedural and other information about the meeting.

Dated: October 27, 1999.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Associate Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RETIREMENT THRIFT INVESTMENT BOARD

Sunshine Act Meeting Notice

TIME AND DATE: 9:00 a.m. (EST) November 8, 1999.

PLACE: 4th Floor Conference Room, 1250 H Street, NW., Washington, DC

STATUS: Open.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Approval of the minutes of the October 12, 1999, Board member meeting.

2. Thrift Savings Plan activity report by the Executive Director.

3. Review of KPMG Peat Marwick audit report: Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration Review of Thrift Savings Plan C and F Fund Investment Management Operations at Barclays Global Investors, N.A.

4. Labor Department audit briefing.

5. Semiannual review of status of audit recommendations.

6. Quarterly Investment policy review.

7. Annual ethics briefing.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Thomas J. Trabucco, Director, Office of External Affairs, (202) 942-1640.

Dated: October 26, 1999.

Elizabeth S. Woodruff,

Secretary to the Board, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board.

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FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

[File No. 991-0319]

VNU N.V.; Analysis To Aid Public Comment

AGENCY: Federal Trade Commission.

ACTION: Proposed consent agreement.

SUMMARY: The consent agreement in this matter settles alleged violations of federal law prohibiting unfair or deceptive acts or practices or unfair methods of competition. The attached Analysis to Aid Public Comment describes both the allegations in the draft complaint that accompanies the consent agreement and the terms of the consent order—embodied in the consent agreement—that would settle these allegations.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before November 23, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be directed to: FTC/Office of the Secretary, Room 159, 600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, D.C. 20580.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Richard Parker or Ann Malester, FTC/S-2308, 600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, D.C. 20580, (202) 326-2574 or 326-2682.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to Section 6(f) of the Federal Trade Commission Act, 38 Stat. 721, 15 U.S.C. 46 and Section 2.34 of the Commission's Rules of Practice (16 CFR 2.34), notice is hereby given that the above-captioned consent agreement containing a consent order to cease and desist, having been filed with and accepted, subject to final approval, by the Commission, has been placed on the public record for a period of thirty (30) days. The following Analysis to Aid Public Comment describes the terms of the consent agreement, and the allegations in the complaint. An electronic copy of the full text of the consent agreement package can be obtained from the FTC Home Page (for October 22, 1999), on the World Wide Web, at "<http://www.ftc.gov/os/actions97.htm>." A paper copy can be obtained from the FTC Public Reference Room, Room H-130, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20580, either in person or by calling (202) 326-3627.

Public comment is invited. Comments should be directed to: FTC/Office of the Secretary, Room 159, 600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, D.C. 20580. Two paper copies of each comment should be filed, and should be accompanied, if possible, by a 3½ inch diskette containing an electronic copy of the comment. Such comments or views will be considered by the Commission and will be available for inspection and inspection and copying at its principal office in accordance with Section 4.9(b)(6)(ii) of the Commission's Rules of Practice (16 CFR 4.9(b)(6)(ii)).

Analysis of Agreement Containing Consent Orders To Aid Public Comment

The Federal Trade Commission ("Commission") has accepted, subject to final approval, an Agreement Containing Consent Orders ("Consent Agreement") from VNU N.V. ("VNU"), which is designed to remedy the anticompetitive effects resulting from VNU's acquisition of Nielsen Media Research, Inc. ("Nielsen"). Under the terms of the agreement, VNU will be required to divest its division, Competitive Media Reporting ("CMR"), which supplies advertising expenditure measurement services, to a Commission-approved buyer no later than six (6) months from the date VNU signed the Consent Agreement. If the sale of CMR is not made within six (6) months, the Commission may appoint a trustee to divest CMR.

The proposed Consent Agreement has been placed on the public record for thirty (30) days for reception of comments by interested persons. Comments received during this period will become part of the public record. After thirty (3) days, the Commission will again review the proposed Consent Agreement and the comments received, and will decide whether it should withdraw from the proposed Consent Agreement or make final the Decision & Order.

Pursuant to an August 16, 1999 cash tender offer, VNU agreed to acquire 100 percent of the issued and outstanding voting securities of Nielsen for approximately \$2.5 billion. The Commission's Complaint alleges that the acquisition, if consummated, would violate Section 7 of the Clayton Act, as amended, 15 U.S.C. § 18, and Section 5 of the Federal Trade Commission Act, as amended, 15 U.S.C. § 45, in the market for advertising expenditure measurement services.

Nielsen, through its Monitor Plus division, and VNU, through its CMR division, are the only providers of advertising expenditure measurement services in the United States. Both companies track the occurrence of commercial advertisements across numerous media, including: national and local broadcast television; national and local syndication; national and local cable; national and local radio; national, local, trade and Sunday magazines; national and local newspapers; outdoor advertising; and the Internet. This information is typically integrated with other data, such as estimated advertising costs and television ratings, in order to create advertising expenditure measurement reports. Customers, such as advertising

agencies, use these reports to create advertising strategies for their clients, to study the advertising strategies of their clients' competitors, and to monitor what their clients' competitors are spending on advertising. Monitor Plus and CMR are the only providers of advertising expenditure measurement services across multiple media in the United States.

The United States advertising expenditure measurement services market is highly concentrated, and the proposed acquisition would combine the only providers of these services. For many years, CMR was the only supplier of advertising expenditure measurement services. Monitor Plus's entry into this market in the mid-1990's and its subsequent head-to-head competition with CMR has provided customers with significant price savings and innovations, including better methods of tracking the occurrence of advertisements. By eliminating competition between the only two competitors in this highly concentrated market, the proposed acquisition would allow VNU to exercise market power unilaterally, thereby increasing the likelihood that purchasers of advertising expenditure measurement services would be forced to pay higher prices and that innovation in the advertising expenditure measurement services market would decrease.

Substantial barriers to new entry exist in the advertising expenditure measurement services market. A new entrant into this market would need to undertake the difficult, expensive, and time-consuming process of obtaining access to the technology required for television, cable, and radio advertising monitoring; developing or acquiring at least two years of historical advertising expenditure data; hiring employees to manually track advertising in print and outdoor media; establishing a track record for data quality, depth, and accuracy; developing software that would permit customers to access and manipulate data; creating a knowledgeable sales force; and forming a service and support network. In addition, entry into the advertising expenditure measurement market is made more unlikely because of long-term contracts that may reduce the amount of sales opportunities available to new entrants. Because of the difficulty of accomplishing these tasks, new entry into the advertising expenditure measurement services market could not be accomplished in a timely manner and is therefore unlikely to deter or counteract the

anticompetitive effects resulting from the transaction.

The Consent Agreement effectively remedies the acquisition's anticompetitive effects in the advertising expenditure measurement services market by requiring VNU to divest its CMR Division. CMR is the dominant firm in the market, with an approximate market share of 70 percent. Pursuant to the Consent Agreement, VNU is required to divest CMR no later than six (6) months from the date VNU signed the Consent Agreement. In the event that VNU fails to divest CMR within this six-month time frame, the commission may appoint a trustee to divest CMR. The Consent Agreement also ensures that the acquirer of CMR will continue to have access to Nielsen's television ratings data by extending the duration of CMR's contract with Nielsen for the supply of television ratings information.

In order to ensure that CMR remains a viable, independent competitor pending its divestiture, the Commission has issued an Order to Hold Separate. Under the Order to Hold Separate, the Commission may appoint an Independent Auditor to monitor VNU's compliance with its obligation to hold CMR separate and independent. In addition, in order to ensure that the acquirer of the divested assets has access to key employees currently involved in CMR's advertising expenditure measurement services business, the Order to Hold Separate requires VNU to provide financial incentives for these individuals to accept employment with the acquirer. The Order to Hold Separate also requires VNU to provide to the Commission a report of compliance with the divestiture provisions of the Order to Hold Separate within thirty (30) days following the date the Consent Agreement becomes final, and every thirty (30) days thereafter until VNU has completed the required divestiture.

The purpose of this analysis is to facilitate public comment on the Consent Agreement, and it is not intended to constitute an official interpretation of the Consent Agreement or to modify in any way its terms.

By direction of the Commission.

Donald S. Clark,

Secretary.

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GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

Office of Communications; Cancellation of a Standard Form

AGENCY: General Services Administration.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The following Standard Form is cancelled because of nonuse:

SF 335, Summary Worksheet for Estimating Forms Cost.

DATES: Effective October 29, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ms. Barbara Williams, General Services Administration, (202) 501-0581.

Dated: October 21, 1999.

Barbara M. Williams,
*Deputy Standard and Optional Forms
Management Officer.*

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR)

[ATSDR-155]

Notice of the Revised Priority List of Hazardous Substances That Will Be the Subject of Toxicological Profiles; Correction

A notice announcing the availability of the Revised CERCLA Priority List of 275 Hazardous Substances based on the most recent information available to ATSDR and EPA was published in the **Federal Register** on October 21, 1999, (64 FR 56792). This notice is corrected as follows:

On page 56792, in the third column, under the heading of: **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**, the telephone number should read: 1-888-422-8737.

All other information and requirements of the October 21, 1999, notice remain the same.

Dated: October 25, 1999.

Georgi Jones,

*Director, Office of Policy and External Affairs
Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease
Registry.*

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

[60Day-00-04]

Proposed Data Collections Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations

In compliance with the requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Center for Disease Control and Prevention is providing opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects. To request more information on the proposed projects or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and instruments, call the CDC Reports Clearance Officer on (404) 639-7090.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques for other forms of information technology. Send comments to Seleda Perryman, CDC Assistant Reports Clearance Officer, 1600 Clifton Road, MS-D24, Atlanta, GA 30333. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

Proposed Projects

1. Risk Perceptions Among Youth of Environmental Hazards—New—Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR). In 1996, the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) launched a child health initiative to investigate knowledge and awareness of environmental hazards among children and youth. ATSDR is designing a new study, Risk Perceptions Among Youth of Environmental Hazards, to evaluate whether an educational intervention influences risk perceptions and knowledge of environmental toxins among middle school-aged students in a large metropolitan area. The results of this study will shed light on the ways young people learn about and use new information on environmental hazards. The results of this study will also be used to develop targeted environmental health education campaigns and